

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
(U 39 M) for Authorization Under Public Utilities  
Code Section 851 to Consent to Crossings of  
Pacific Gas and Electric Company Exclusive  
Easements by High Winds, LLC.

Application 02-10-005  
(Filed October 7, 2002)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING SHORTENING TIME FOR  
FILING OF PROTESTS AND DENYING MOTION OF  
PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR WAIVER OR RULE 36(b)**

In this application, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) seeks Commission authorization pursuant to Pub. Util. Code § 851 to permit two crossings of PG&E exclusive easements by High Winds, LLC (High Winds). This authorization would enable High Winds to utilize both an underground crossing for its electric and communications facilities beneath a PG&E easement for 500 kilovolt transmission line and an adjacent road for ingress and egress.

According to the application, High Winds proposes to operate a wind-generating project with approximately 150 megawatts (MW) of generating capacity in the Collinsville-Montezuma Hills Wind Resource area in southeastern Solano County. The purpose of the project is to meet regional energy needs in an efficient and environmentally sound manner by harnessing the renewable wind resources in the Collinsville-Montezuma Hills Wind Resource area to generate approximately 450 gigawatt hours of electricity annually from approximately 150 MW capacity.

PG&E has requested expedited treatment of this application so that High Winds may meet its construction schedule and retain federal tax credits for the project.

Based on these representations by PG&E, PG&E's request to shorten the protest period for this application is granted. All protests must be filed and served by no later than October 22, 2002.

PG&E has also filed a motion for a waiver of Rule 36(b)'s requirement for filing of its proposed agreement with High Winds, LLC with the application. This motion is denied. PG&E shall file the proposed agreement with High Winds, and shall forward a copy to me by e-mail at tom@cpuc.ca.gov, by facsimile sent to (415) 703-1723 or by personal delivery by no later than October 25, 2002.

**IT IS SO RULED.**

Dated October 17, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

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Myra J. Prestidge  
Myra J. Prestidge  
Administrative Law Judge

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Shortening Time for Filing of Protests and Denying Motion of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Waiver of Rule 36(b) on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated October 17, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ Antonina V. Swansen  
Antonina V. Swansen

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